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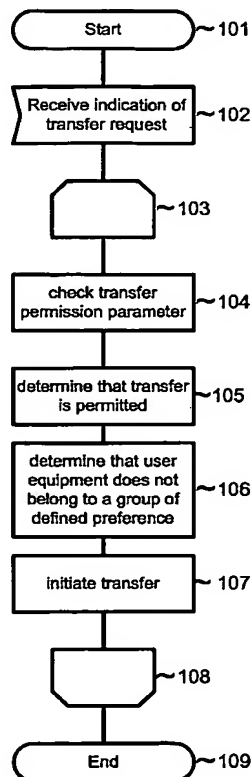
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(57) **Abstract:** The invention relates to a method and devices for handling dual mode terminals in a network comprising at least two access networks operating according to different standards. The method enables a highly efficient use of network resources as it ensures that terminals are transferred preferably to the network that matches best to the terminal capabilities and subscription permissions. To this end parameter values are introduced describing a preferred access network for a terminal. Furthermore, a new method operating according to the parameter value and a new device for executing the method have been introduced.



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